

Phased Work Plan for the California Water Plan Update

Phase	Focus	Report Date	Key Elements “What the Advisory Committee Wants”
1	<p>Make Policy Recommendations in the Public Review Draft Water Plan Update 2003</p> <p><i>Focus:</i></p> <p>Describe California’s water situation and what should be done about it, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ways to better integrate resource planning • How State can efficiently and equitably help Californians manage & develop water and protect the environment, including recommendations for policies, programs and regional management options • Ways to invest public funds and provide assistance to regional planning efforts • Criteria and methods for selecting and testing analytical tools and models 	Dec. 2003	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Policy recommendations and 10-year Action Plan • Specify information needed by policy makers, stakeholders, and the public • Description of current water management activities, challenges & responses, on both the State and regional levels • 11 Regional Reports, including Water Portfolios for recent wet, average and moderately dry years (current conditions & responses, and future options) • Inventory of future surface and groundwater management options, including potential benefits, costs, and implementation challenges. • Scenario-based discussion of future challenges, management options and recommendations, including sequential dry years • Impacts and response strategies for catastrophic events and global climate change • UC Davis study on effect of future irrigation water cost & reliability on farm production and food self-sufficiency, including SB 2587 criteria • Short- and long-term work plans for preparing the analytical framework for evaluating 2030 conditions and responses • Criteria for testing current models and evaluating Study Plan performance • Sample outputs from current models
2	<p>Revise and Finalize Policy Recommendations in Final Update 2003</p> <p>Present and document the analytical tools and/or models selected for evaluating multiple “futures”</p> <p>Select a number of 2030 Study Plans</p>	Dec. 2004	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Receive and review Public comments on Draft Update 2003 • Revise draft Update 2003 in response to public comments • Finalize policy recommendations and action plan • Finalize method and models for 2030 forecasts, including Update 2008 assumptions and estimates • Identify a set of 2030 Study Plans for Phase 3 • Develop performance measures to evaluate recommendations in Update 2008 • End Update 2003
3	Complete the 2030 Study Plan Evaluations	Dec. 2005	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Begin Update 2008 • Reconstitute Advisory Committee • Conduct and report on the set of scenario-based 2030 Study Plan evaluations identified in Phase 2 (providing early information for Update 2008 process) • Use flow diagram to analyze future wet and dry year and sequential dry years • Receive food forecast from CDFA and estimate associated water use (AB 2587, Matthews)